

REMARKS

In the outstanding Official Action, the Examiner:

(1) indicated that Figures 5-9 should be designated by a legend such as "Prior Art" because only that which is old is illustrated; and

(2) indicated that claims 1-8 and 10-15 are allowed.

Turning first to Item 2 above, Applicants thank the Examiner for his indication that claims 1-8 and 10-15 are allowed.

In response to Item 1 above, Applicants have amended Figs. 6A and 7A to add the legend "Prior Art".

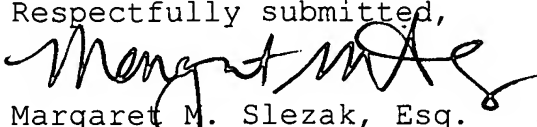
Applicants note that Figs. 5A and 5B are not prior art. While the dashed lines in these figures illustrate an old approach, the solid lines illustrate a novel approach of the present invention.

Applicants also note that Figs. 6B, 7B, 8 and 9 illustrate a novel approach of the present invention.

Accordingly, Applicants believe that this patent application is now in condition for allowance, and reconsideration thereof is respectfully requested.

In the event that any fees may be required in this matter, please charge the same to Deposit Account No. 16-0221.

Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

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